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## American Fern Journal

### A LOOK AHEAD.

During the year 1913, the Journal comprised 128 pages, together with nine full page plates and twelve text figures of varying size. The cost of these illustrations was met mainly by extra contributions from friends of the Journal who were interested to demonstrate what could be done with more ample funds than were available from the regular Society dues and subscriptions. If our income had been larger, we could easily have published one hundred and sixty pages with double the number of illustrations. There is now no dearth of copy.

It is worth while now to give some consideration to ways and means for 1914. The extra contributions during 1913 amounted to over fifty dollars. It may be noted that there is no certainty, or even probability, of so large an amount during the coming year.

What sort of a Journal do the members desire for 1914? If it is to be equal in size and amount of illustrations to that of this year, sufficient financial provision must be made for it, either (1) by a considerable increase in the number of members, or (2) by extra contributions, or (3) by an increase in the membership and subscription prices. The Society officers would welcome expressions of opinion from as many members as possible.

Again, as regards the contents of the Journal, the editors will print what you want, *if you send it in*. If you wish a different filling than that of the past year, send it in.